

WOULD AID ALLIANCE

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the overtures of Captain Bailey were received, that Captain Olsen's declination of assistance when it was rendered him by Captain Cozens, of the British steamship Boveric, as reported from Victoria, must have been quite as unqualified and accounts amply for that master's failure to stand by him any longer.

There is a variance of opinion along the Astoria waterfront as to the wisdom shown by Captain Olsen in thus rejecting help at the very gate of an open port, and his own destination, but the predominant idea is that he is an able seaman and knows better than anyone else the real condition of his vessel, and will make a successful issue of the voyage, provided the weather holds fair; under adverse conditions, however, it is held to be very problematical, if he can make port without suffering far greater loss, or taking over all the help that may later come his way. There are others who hold, that in deference to his 21 passengers, he should have availed himself of the assistance tendered him by the master of the Tatoonah, in order to forestall all possible chance of later and worse disaster, and the insuperable blame that will be his in such event.

The steamer Casco arrived in from San Francisco at 7:30 o'clock on Sunday and went on to the metropolis without delay.

The schooner Irene was a getaway on Sunday morning for the California coast.

The Santa Rita went over the bar early on Sunday morning, bound for Port Harford, for more oil.

The steamship Costa Rica left the O. R. & N. pier at 6 o'clock yesterday morning for San Francisco, with a number of passengers and a good manifest of freight.

The American barkentine C. F. Crocker came down from the metropolis on Sunday and cleared yesterday for Redondo, California.

The steamship Breakwater, Captain McGlynn, arrived in from Coos Bay on Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, and to the

profound disappointment of many people, brought no news of the unfortunate steamer Alliance. He said he kept a sharp lookout for her and would have been only too glad to pick her up and bring her in, and was in good position to do it, having over 300 tons of cargo-coal, beside a good supply in the bunkers, and there was nothing to prevent him from doing a timely job. In fact, he did not look for her, having had word at Coos that the known whereabouts of the vessel in distress, the Alliance was here in port, with one passenger lost, but otherwise alright.

The Harvest Queen went up the river with the British ship Windsor Park at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. She will load out wheat for the United Kingdom.

The steam schooner Hanalet entered port yesterday morning, and after a brief stop in the channel, went on to Portland.

The British ship Buech, Captain Puxley, 190 days from Hamburg, and laden with cement for Meyer, Wilson & Company, crossed in yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, with no stories to relate except a safe and pleasant trip, despite its tedious. She will leave up for the metropolis on the hawsers of the Columbia sometime today.

The big schooner Churchill went away to Formosa yesterday morning at 8:15 o'clock with her huge load of square timbers for Keelung.

The schooner Transit was among the getaways yesterday morning bound for San Francisco with a heavy load of lumber.

The Queen Louise got away, yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock, after her long delay on the higher side of the bar here.

The steamer M. F. Henderson arrived down yesterday forenoon with the four-master schooner Salvator on her hawsers. The Salvator is bound for Redondo, California, and will probably get away this morning.

The steamer Sue H. Eimore was among the arrivals in this port on Sunday last, after being bar bound at Tillamook for a week or more.

The British bark Strathgryfe left up for Portland on the towlines of the M. F. Henderson, yesterday afternoon, and will probably load breadstuffs out for Europe.

The steamship Senator is due in from San Francisco tomorrow afternoon, and will return down from Portland on Sunday morning next at an early hour.

The steamship Roanoke should be in this port tomorrow evening or early on Thursday morning, from the southern coast of California.

The affair of the steamer Alliance lends peculiar and marked emphasis to the fact that this port has been far too long without the revenue cutter that belongs here under the departmental assignments in this regard. This is an important element of regulation and should be put, and kept, in operation. Had there been one of these vessels in port when the word came up from Coos of the dilemma of the Alliance, she would have been in port long ago. It is understood the Astoria Chamber of Commerce is going to take the matter up with the authorities at Washington, and that the Oregon delegation will be urged to assist in the work of securing this essential relief. We have a right to this provision, and—humanity has even a larger claim on the fulfillment of this obligation. The "damphool" snarl of red-tape are all that kept the light-house tenders Armeria, Columbine and Heather in port, as it was.

Captain Joseph Turner, of the Columbia River Pilots' Association, who was in charge of the oil tank steamer Asuncion, when she and the river tug F. R. Jones collided recently, has been apprised by the inspectors of hulls and boilers, of the suspension of his license for a period of 30 days, on a charge of carelessness, but leaving the nature of the carelessness unexplained. Nothing has been said as to what, if any, measure of blame attaches to the master of the injured tug.

The Portland agents of the steamer Alliance have made arrangements with the Callender Navigation Company, of this city, for the towing of the Alliance hence to Portland, and when she arrives in, she will be taken up on the hawsers of the Melville, unless this aid is also declined by Captain Olsen.

A PLEASURABLE DAY IN ELKDOM

BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL SERVICE CONDUCTED BY THE ASTORIA ELKS LAST SUNDAY—FIVE HUNDRED GUESTS PRESENT.

Fully half a thousand interested people thronged the handsome lodge room of Astoria Lodge No. 180, B. P. O. E., on Sunday afternoon last to listen to the beautiful, ritualistic work of that great order in commemoration of its dead. As is always the case, the affair was handled with consummate care and conspicuous charm by the committees in charge of different elements of the day's service, and a program rarely equalled in genuine interest was unfolded without a flaw of any kind.

The vocal music was in the competent hands of Mrs. Charles Abercrombie, and her 20 assistants, 12 ladies and eight gentlemen, did her, and themselves, extraordinary credit in the handling of the solos and choruses; the soloists of the occasion being Miss Heba Hobson, of this city, and Mr. H. T. Butterworth, the well known baritone of Portland; the choral work being in the province of a cultured group of Astoria's leading singers who contributed immensely to the certain success of the work. Miss Hobson's rendering of the solos "Face to Face" and "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," was all that could be desired by the most captious critic present, and Mr. Butterworth's disposal of his assignments, "A Dream of Paradise" and "Rock of Ages," were most gratefully received by a delighted audience.

The instrumental work, which was delightful in all its numbers, was in the capable hands of the Thielborn string quartette, with Miss Anna Campbell presiding at the piano with her customary grace and accomplishment.

Exalted Ruler John C. McCue presided with dignity over the entire course of work and lent aplomb to what is deemed to have been one of the most successful of the open, annual gatherings of this up-to-date fraternity.

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and effect, and Mr. Nelo Johnson, the poet-reader of the day, rendered the immortal "Thanatopsis" with great feeling and fidelity to its beautiful sentiment.

The orator of the occasion was Mr. Arthur C. Spencer, of Portland, whose voice and manner of delivery were all that could have been asked for on some happier theme than he had chosen, and it is regrettable in the extreme that he was handicapped by a lack of time in preparation and was not at his best in the handling of his sentiment nor its application to the exigencies of this service, but he succeeded in eliciting the devoted attention of the house throughout and impressed his hearers with the earnestness of his deep conviction and abounding loyalty to the best lessons taught in Elkdom.

The memorial services as rendered this year were most happily in line with the fame and grace attaching to these public expressions by the Elks, and every soul present left the hall with a sense of pleasure and profit gained in the brief two hours spent there.

Up To New Year's Day— Since the Governor intends to continue the "legal holidays" till the dawn of the New Year, Charles H. Heilborn & Company intend to keep their discount schedules going for that time, in order to make it feasible for Christmas shoppers to get the benefit.

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